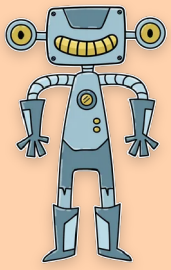
DRAMA · READER'S THEATER SCRIPTS · GRADES 2–3

The Robot Who Could Not Dance

A reader's theater script for 4 readers about a stiff little robot and the school talent show.



Name: _____ **Date:** _____

Cast: NARRATOR · BOLT, a robot · AVA · MR. DIAZ, the teacher

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AVA: You can practice with me! Watch. Spin, wiggle, jump!

NARRATOR: Bolt tried to spin. Clank! Bolt tried to wiggle. Clunk! Bolt tried to jump. Crash!

BOLT: ***(sadly)*** It is no use. Robots cannot dance.

AVA: Wait. Do that up-and-down thing again.

BOLT: ***(arms go up and down)*** Beep. Boop.

AVA: That IS a dance! It's a robot dance! Add a turn and a beep at the end.

NARRATOR: Bolt practiced every day. Up, down, turn, beep.

MR. DIAZ: And now, Bolt with the Robot Dance!

NARRATOR: Bolt danced the robot dance. The whole school jumped up and did it too.

BOLT: ***(happily)*** Beep boop! I did not dance like you. I danced like me!

Answer the questions.

1. **What did Bolt want to do in the talent show?**

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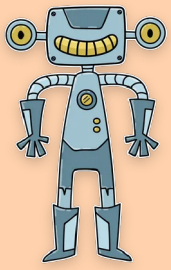
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ANSWER KEY · READER'S THEATER SCRIPTS · GRADES 2–3

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Answers for grown-ups. Where kids write their own ideas, the key shows one example.



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   Dance

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   Spinning, wiggling and jumping all went wrong.

3. **How did Ava help Bolt?**

   She saw that Bolt's up-and-down moves were a robot dance.

4. **What does Bolt learn at the end?**

   To be yourself and dance your own way

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